



Don't Let Your Campfire Become A Wildfire!

As the fall outdoor recreation season begins, don't let the change of season fool you into thinking fire danger is over. Autumn usually brings its share of hot, dry days and the potential for wildfires. Before building a campfire, please check local restrictions. Some areas of Oregon and Washington are not allowing campfires.

Unattended or abandoned campfires cause many wildfires each year. Consider the following when building a campfire:

- Clear a campfire site down to bare soil.
- Build a fire ring out of rocks. Keep the fire small with no less than a ten-foot clearance around it.
- Build the fire away from overhanging branches, steep slopes and dry grass.
- Never leave a campfire unattended. Even a small breeze can cause a fire to spread rapidly.
- Keep a bucket of water and a shovel near the campfire.
- When putting a campfire out, drown it with water. Stir the fire with water and dirt until all the ashes are cold to the touch. Never leave a fire until it is out cold.
- Campers are also asked to be careful with cigarettes, gas lanterns, barbeques, gas stoves and anything else that can be a source of ignition for a wildfire.

For additional information, contact your local fire protection agency or visit www.or.blm.gov/nwfire.

I'm concerned about WILDFIRE!